

Proclamation

- WHEREAS**, reading is the cornerstone of education, allowing each individual to pursue knowledge; and
- WHEREAS**, knowledge is the finest asset we give to our children and the catalyst for achieving great things in life; and
- WHEREAS**, the love of books and reading, passed from adult to child, from generation to generation, and from peer to peer, is a lifelong treasure that helps uncover the secrets of the universe; and
- WHEREAS**, Children's Book Week, a celebration of the written word, will encourage young people to discover the complexity of the world beyond their own experience; and
- WHEREAS**, Imagine, the theme chosen by the Children's Book Council for the 86th annual observance of Children's Book Week, promotes the enjoyment of books for young people.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Kathleen Babineaux Blanco, Governor of the State of Louisiana, do hereby proclaim November 14-20, 2005, as

CHILDREN'S BOOK WEEK

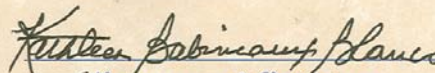
and urge all citizens to join in the celebration of books for young people.



Attest By
The Governor


Secretary of State

*In Witness Whereof, I have hereunto set
my hand officially and caused to be affixed the
Great Seal of the State of Louisiana, at the
Capitol, in the City of Baton Rouge, on this
the 1st day of November
A. D., 2005*


Governor of Louisiana